

Resolution Honoring Lieutenant Dan Berschinski

- Whereas, Daniel Berschinski grew up in Fayette County, Georgia, where he attended public school, graduated from McIntosh High School; going on to graduate from the United States Military Academy at West Point, receiving his commission as a Second Lieutenant in 2007; and
- Whereas, Lt. Berschinski, quickly rising to the rank of First Lieutenant, was eventually assigned to Fort Lewis, Washington from where he was deployed to Afghanistan to take part in the War Against Terrorism known as Operation Enduring Freedom; and
- Whereas, On August 19, 2009, Lt. Berschinski was gravely wounded in the explosion of an improvised explosive device as he led his platoon through a Taliban-controlled region in southern Afghanistan, fulfilling his duty as a United States Army Officer, proudly defending the freedoms and principals all Americans hold dear; and
- Whereas, Dan has since been at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. in recovery and rehabilitation from his devastating injuries, enduring great suffering and adapting to a life changed forever;

Now, therefore, this body, the Governing Authority of Fayette County, Georgia, known as the Board of County Commissioners, wishes, by way of this Resolution, to honor the valor, courage and sacrifice of Lt. Dan Berschinski and to express our humble thanks for his willingness to leave his family and his homeland to protect the freedom of Americans from insidious enemies who wish us suffering and destruction. As this County honors Dan, may we renew our Pledge of Allegiance to our Nation and be reminded that the price of freedom is not free – it is indeed paid for by the bravery of men and women from across America willing to lay down their lives every day so that we can live without threat, pursue our dreams, enjoy the fruits of our labor, and worship freely in the World's Greatest Nation, the United States of America.

Lieutenant Dan Berschinski, we thank you and we support you. You are our
"HOMETOWN HERO"

So resolved this 27th day of May, 2010, by the



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA



Jack R. Smith, Chairman